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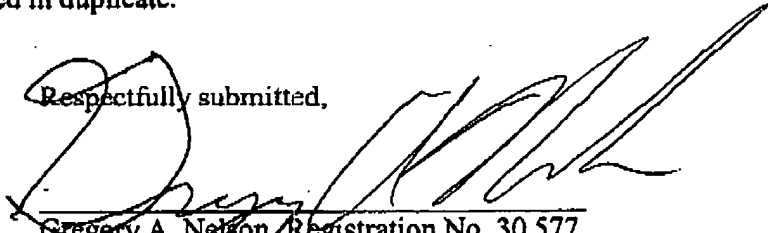
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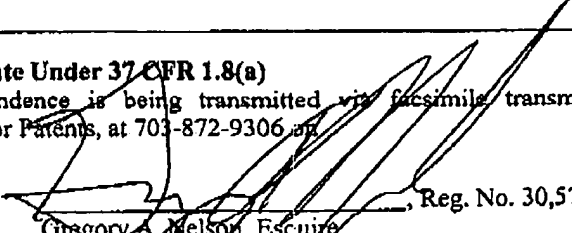


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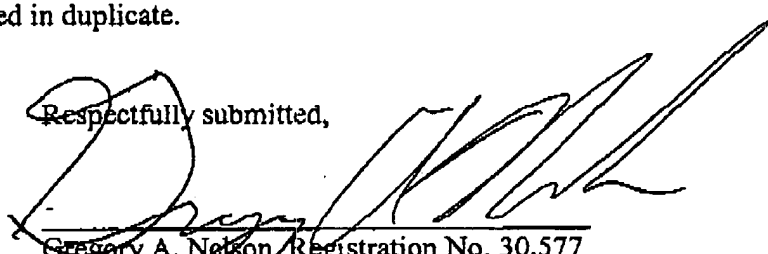
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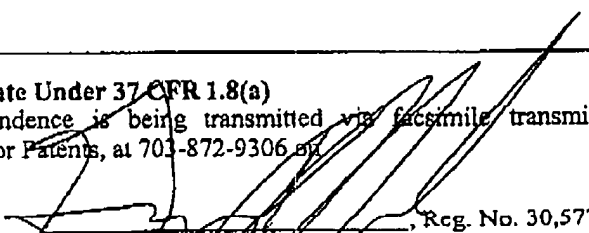
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 06, 2004 (Office Action), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

The Claims as currently pending begin on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this submission.

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